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## Dear «Prefix» «Lname»:

Protection and preservation of cultural resources is important to the people of this Nation and also to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. I see many cultural resource issues within our region that need to be discussed and cooperatively addressed. One issue is the identification of cultural resources sites and traditional properties (including significant, eligible or registered National Register of Historic Places) as well as protection and monitoring of these sites. We would appreciate your agency's participation in helping us address these needs.

The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Omaha District is in the process of forming a Cultural Resources Task Force. I would like to invite your agency to participate. In the development of a sound cultural resources program, we feel it is important to have involvement of as many stakeholders as possible and we feel that your agency is one of those stakeholders. We are also inviting Tribes and other Federal, State and local agencies to be involved.

The purpose of the Cultural Resource Task Force would be to share cultural information, to allow for input and involvement of all members, and to monitor accomplishments. To enable us to have the proper personnel involved on this Task Force we need your assistance and guidance. We need to know if you desire to be involved in the task force, and if you or your representative would be available to attend the first meeting in Bismarck, North Dakota on June 20 to 21, 2002.

Your response is needed by May 31, 2002 in order to coordinate the meeting location and agenda. If there are any questions, please call me or Mr. Larry Janis, Cultural Resource Program Manager, at (402) 221-3110.

Sincerely,

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